

**Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

10/658,024

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment filed on 9/28/07 and supplemental response filed on 10/9/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-2,4-6,8-11,13,15-18,20,and 22-27, renumbered as claims 1-21.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  
**THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.**

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material

- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**Part III STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

1. This office action is in response to the amendment filed on 9/28/07 and 10/9/07. Claims 1-2,4-6,8-11,13,15-18,20,22-27 are being allowed over the prior art of record. Applicant's arguments on pages 13-14 have been found to be persuasive. Prosecution on the merits is closed in this application.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art of record different ways of parallel processing by scanning and printign and the same time, but the prior art of record fails to teach, or suggest the claimed limitations of (in combination with all other features in the claims), a method, apparatus or computer program having a second determination step of determining whether or not printing paper, on which print data is printed by the image output device, is predetermined paper; an output step in which the **application software outputs one page of data part by part in the same order as the order in which the data is printed on the printing paper in a printing direction**; parallel when the transmission method is determined as the predetermined transmission method by the first determination step and the paper is determined as the predetermined paper by the second determination step, and of **converting one page of data into the print data after the output of the one page of the data by the output step when the transmission method is not determined as the predetermined transmission method by the first determination step or the paper is not determined as the predetermined paper by the second determination step**, now recited by the independent claim.

Any comments considered necessary by Applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee, and to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. such submissions should be clearly labeled "comments on statement of Reasons for Allowance".

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gabriel I. Garcia whose telephone number is (571)272-7434. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30-6:00, Monday thru Thursday. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward Coles can be reached on (571)272-7402314. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

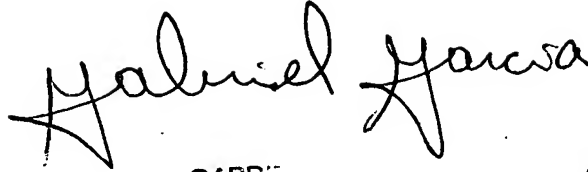
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